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Statement of Accomplishments

The Dagger Falls Fishway on the Middle Fork of the Salmon River was cleaned of accumulations of rocks, gravel, and debris. Several large logs were removed from the fishway and a gravel bar was removed from in front of the fish outlet. This is a continuing requirement and is necessary on a semiannual basis to insure that fish passage can be maintained on an uninterrupted basis.

The Selway Falls Fishway on the Selway River in the Clearwater River Drainage was cleaned prior to and after the high water in the spring of the year. The vertical slots in the fishway are easily plugged with logs, brush and gravel. The river configuration is such that a large eddy is located in front of the fishway outlet and allows slender debris to be carried through the debris screen. We are evaluating methods of preventing debris from passing thru the screen, but the best solution at this time appears to be frequent inspections and cleaning of the fishway.